

Dear Padre,

Where was St. Joseph during Jesus' crucifixion?

It's impossible to know for certain when Joseph died, since the Gospels don't refer to it. By the time Jesus starts his public ministry, Joseph had disappeared. We know for sure that Joseph lived at least until Jesus was twelve (see Luke 2:42). While Joseph scholars have many ideas, most believe Joseph probably died around the time of Jesus' baptism and before the wedding feast at Cana, when Jesus was about thirty years old (see Luke 3:23). That's because Mary is mentioned at the wedding feast, but Joseph is not (see John 2:1-12). And, while Jesus is preaching, the only ones looking for him are his "mother and brothers" (see Matthew 12:46-49, Mark 3:32-34, and Luke 8:19-21).

Finally, while dying on the cross, Jesus entrusts his mother to the disciple John, who took her to his home (see John 19:27). If Joseph had been alive at the time, this wouldn't have been necessary. Thus, it's entirely likely that Joseph died with Jesus and Mary at his side, giving his death great significance in popular devotion. From ancient times, Christian traditions have held that Joseph died in the arms of the Virgin and Jesus. The origins of Joseph as the patron of a happy death can be seen as early as the second century.



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A WORD FROM Pope Francis

Doctors, nurses, storekeepers and supermarket workers, cleaning personnel, caregivers, transport workers, men and women working to provide essential services....Saint Joseph reminds us that those who appear hidden or in the shadows can play an incomparable role in the history of salvation. A word of recognition and of gratitude is due to them all.

PATRIS CORDE, DECEMBER 8, 2020

Calendar

- Monday**
MAY 2
St. Athanasius,
Bishop and Doctor
of the Church
Acts 6:8-15
Jn 6:22-29
- Tuesday**
MAY 3
Sts. Philip and James,
Apostles
1 Cor 15:1-8
Jn 14:6-14
- Wednesday**
MAY 4
Easter Weekday
Acts 8:1b-8
Jn 6:35-40
- Thursday**
MAY 5
Easter Weekday
Acts 8:26-40
Jn 6:44-51
- Friday**
MAY 6
Easter Weekday
Acts 9:1-20
Jn 6:52-59
- Saturday**
MAY 7
Easter Weekday
Acts 9:31-42
Jn 6:60-69
- Sunday**
MAY 8
Fourth Sunday of Easter
Acts 13:14, 43-52
Rv 7:9, 14b-17
Jn 10:27-30

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Third Sunday Of Easter

May 1, 2022



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Holy Spirit Mass Schedule & Intentions

Week of April 30 – May 6

- Sat 6:00 pm †Steven Slaby
Sun 11:00 am Parishioners Living & Deceased
Sun 6:00 pm †Dr. Alma Flick
Mon 8:00 am NO MASS
Tue 8:00 am †Judy Salinas
Wed 8:00 am Brenna & Brileigh Brown (Birthday)
Thur 8:00 am †Albert "Albie" Lechner, III
Fri 8:00 am Martin Arcadia (Birthday)

Christ the King Mass Schedule & Intentions

Week of April 30 – May 6

- Sat 4:00 pm †Dennis & Altamae Higginbotham
Sun 9:15 am Falcone & Johnson Family
Tue 6:00 pm †Ann Newman

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Before and after daily Mass, and by Appointment
1st Friday Adoration – 8:30am- 6:00pm
at Holy Spirit in St. Patrick's Chapel
Adoration at Christ the King – Tuesday 5:30pm-6pm